

Declaration under §1.131

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Group Art Unit .....2624  
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Title: Dynamic Generation of Linearized Halftone Matrix

**DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.131**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am an original, first, and joint inventor of the subject matter that is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "Dynamic Generation of Linearized Halftone Matrix," as identified above.

It is hereby asserted that the invention was conceived and actually reduced to practice in the United States or Spain prior to March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2000.

March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2000, is the filing date of the Ushiroda U.S. Patent (No. 6,831,756). Foreign application priority data includes a March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2000, Japan Patent Application (No. 2000-062271) and a March 30<sup>th</sup>, 1999, Japan Patent Application (No. 11-090068). The Japan Patent Application No. 11-090068 is subject to the pre-AIPA version of 35 U.S.C. 102(e). Therefore, the effective priority date under 102(e) is March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2000.

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Accompanying this Declaration is Exhibits A through H. Exhibit A is a four-page redacted Invention Disclosure Form document. The "Outline of Invention" section of the Invention Disclosure Form in combination with Exhibits "B" through "H" evidences an actual reduction to practice. It is asserted that the redacted dates in the Exhibits are prior to March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2000.

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All statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true. Further, these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both (18 U.S.C. 1001) and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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Before me this 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, personally appeared William J. Allen who is personally known or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person who acknowledged the foregoing instrument of assignment to be his/her free act and deed



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